

Morgantown Municipal Green Team  
Minutes of Regular Meeting, Thursday, April 11, 2013  
Morgantown Public Library, Meeting Room A

In attendance: Aaron Sutch, (Co-Chair), Garth Lindley, Jim Kotcon, Chris Haddox (Co-Chair)

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 by Aaron Sutch

Agenda items:

1. Garth Lindley discussed the WVU Sustainability Strategic Plan Town Hall meeting to be held on Thursday, April 18 from 2:30 – 5:00 in the Shenandoah Room of the Mountainlair. The purpose of the meeting is to gather public input and identify potential for partnership and synergistic activities related to the draft WVU Sustainability Strategic plan. The plan has five content areas: Education, Research and Innovation; Institutional Stewardship; Student Engagement; Public Service and Civic Engagement; and Communication.
2. Aaron mentioned the Year of the Tree (YOTT) Facebook Page and suggested that MGMT members and others “Like” that page. The YOTT folks recently sponsored a showing of Your Environmental Road Trip (YERT) that was well attended.
3. Briefly discussed upcoming GN@L events ideas: Positive Spin and biking around Morgantown; Downstream Strategies and carbon emissions/inventory presentation (this will hopefully tie in with an anticipated grant award from Appalachian Stewardship Foundation on the topic of GHG inventory).
4. Woodburn Elementary School purchase update: Chris reported that while the City has agreed to purchase the property, there has been little public activity on the project. It is anticipated that the Boys and Girls Club will move into the property for some period of time and that a spring cleanup/fair is being planned by the B&G Club.
5. VISTA: there was brief discussion about the City acquiring a VISTA worker to assist with some MGMT projects..the Green Directory, GHG inventory, energy efficiency outreach. It was decided to wait until Morgantown has a new city manager to broach this topic.
6. Performance Contract: Jim went over the latest numbers in his on-going analysis of the effectiveness of the Morgantown Energy Performance Contract by Constellation. Latest energy usage figures indicate that energy use in the four city buildings being tracked in the study has increased about 8% since the energy conservation measures (ECMs) were commissioned. Annual cooling degree days for the most recent period were not incorporated into the analysis and no reason was given for the increase. Jim will add the CDD to the analysis and report out in the future.
7. Harrison County Power Plant and Energy Efficiency Resolution: Jim reported that City Council had several questions about his presentation to them on the recent Energy Efficiency Resolution. He suggested we try to arrange a meeting with Interim City Manager, Jeff Mikorski, to go over additional information. Chris agreed to contact Jeff about a meeting.